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Announcement re Fund Drive for the  
National Health Organizations

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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

SUBJECT : Agency Ceiling

I thought you would be interested in knowing that for the first time this fiscal year we are below our ceiling. While we are barely under the line, to be exact by only five (5) positions, I feel that this represents a real accomplishment on the part of all Agency components. At the time that the Fiscal Year 1958 Agency ceiling was established last August, we were over by two hundred and sixty-one (261).



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1. Mr. Dulles opened the meeting by discussing the subject of the Release of Agency Information. He pointed out that [REDACTED] dated 6 January 1956 concerning the release of Agency information was still in force and effect and directed that provisions of this notice be complied with. He further stated that he was very much disturbed over the leaking of Agency information to newspapermen and cited an example of this in the 23 December 1957 publication appearing in the WASHINGTON POST concerning the arrows and maps story. He stressed the point that all employees who receive an inquiry from the press relating to intelligence or to the CIA should refer such calls to Colonel Grogan. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that we should be very discreet in our dealings with the press. General Cabell referred to the newspaper leaks as an "erosion process" since individuals receiving highly classified information pass it along to others not knowing the true source from which it came.

2. Mr. Dulles advised that on Friday of last week he and others in the Agency attended a White House meeting of the Killian Board. In addition to himself, Messrs. Helms, Kirkpatrick, Amory and General Cabell participated in this board meeting. Mr. Dulles felt that the meeting was highly satisfactory and most helpful in many respects. One of the items discussed concerned carrying out the responsibilities of the NSCIDs in the coordination field.

3. Mr. John Warner, Legislative Counsel, gave a brief summary on the pay bill and the fringe benefits bill, both of which are now pending in Congress. He stated that the pay bill had passed the Senate on last Friday, and that it provided a  $7\frac{1}{2}\%$  increase in pay retroactive to 1 January 1958. According to Mr. Warner, there is a similar pay bill in the House which is retroactive to 20 August 1957. The fringe benefits bill provides for the following:

- a. The payment of education benefits to overseas personnel,
- b. Representation allowances,
- c. The payment for shipment of automobiles, and
- d. A home leave provision.

Mr. Warner stated that this bill provides uniformity throughout the Government on this matter of allowances and that, if passed, it will reduce our administrative burden considerably.

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4. Mr. Gordon Stewart made a short announcement regarding the fund drive for the National Health Organizations which will be initiated later on this month. He advised that this is a joint crusade for funds and it includes the National Health Organizations, Radio Free Europe, and CARE. Included in the National Health Organizations will be the cancer drive, tuberculosis, cerebral palsy, arthritis, crippled children, etc.

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